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## House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m.

The Chaplain, Rev. James Davis Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Oh, gracious God, Creator of Heaven and Earth, Your word tells us that You are with us wherever we are and Your grace surrounds us and makes us whole. In moments of joy and achievement Your spirit is in our midst and at the darkest hour Your abiding presence gives us sustenance and hope. So teach us, O God, so to live our lives that we celebrate and give thanks for our time together for by so doing we sanctify each hour and make sacred each day. In Your name, we pray. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. PITTS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. PITTS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1151.—An act to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law with regard to the field of membership of Federal

credit unions, to preserve the integrity and purpose of Federal credit unions, to enhance supervisory oversight of insured credit unions, and for other purposes.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain 15 1-minute requests on each side.

### TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE IMPORTANT LIFE LESSONS

(Mr. SHIMKUS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I want to recognize Vergil Fletcher, who spent 32 years teaching young people important life lessons, the value of hard work and fair play. He began an outstanding career coaching basketball in 1946 at Collinsville High School.

Coach Fletcher led the Kahoks to 747 victories, creating an impressive 81 percent winning average. In his 32 seasons coaching, the Collinsville basketball team won two State titles and 20 Southwestern Conference titles, a notable record in anyone's book.

Often referred to as one of the greatest high school coaches of all time, Coach Fletcher won the hearts of players and fans throughout Collinsville. In recognition of his dedication to school and community, he is being honored by the Collinsville High School Alumni Association later next month. All former athletes, cheerleaders and fans of Coach Fletcher are invited, with at least one player from each season he coached expected to attend.

The event is a small gesture to thank a man who affected hundreds of young lives in ways that cannot be measured in win percentages. Thanks, Coach.

THE EXAMPLE OF SUPERB PUBLIC SERVICE: DR. CLARENCE S. LIVINGOOD OF GROSSE POINTE, MICHIGAN

(Ms. KILPATRICK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay honor and tribute to Dr. Clarence S. Livingood. He was a prominent physician who began in the Dermatology Department at Henry Ford Hospital; a physician to the Detroit Tigers and, Mr. Speaker, father to our Sergeant at Arms, Wilson Livingood.

Dr. Livingood was a man before his time. He wrote the manual for the U.S. Army. He led in the dermatology life and history as it materialized and grew in our country. Dr. Livingood was a man of honor. He was a leader and a worker and a righteous man as he led and was a department director at Henry Ford Hospital.

Dr. Livingood leaves a wonderful family, our dear Sergeant at Arms. We should also honor Dr. Wilson Livingood as he lost his father just recently in the last few days and stood here with us as we went through our terrible tragedy, as he lost his colleagues and our protectors in these last few days.

Dr. Clarence Livingood will be remembered for his hard work, his dedication and his service to the people of America.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a special person, physician, and constituent, Dr. Clarence S. Livingood. Dr. Livingood passed away on July 27, 1998 after a battle with leukemia at his home in Grosse Pointe, Michigan. Dr. Livingood was one of the most distinguished and respected physicians in our country, and set standards for training and care for patients who need care in the area of dermatology. The largest organ of the human body is the skin; Dr. Livingood helped to ensure the accurate diagnosis, treatment and

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